

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
GROUP 1796
PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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For: RUBBER COMPOSITION FOR TIRE TREAD AND PNEUMATIC TIRE USING THE SAME

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Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 23, 2011, please consider the remarks as submitted herewith on the accompanying pages. A Petition for Extension of Time is being filed concurrently herewith, thereby extending the period for response to October 24, 2011 (October 23, 2011 being a Sunday). Thus, this Response is timely filed.

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